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RESPONSE

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Sir:

Applicant responds to the Office Action of June 20, 2003, and to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of August 28, 2003 as follows.



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| Transm | itted herewith is | an Amendment in the above-identified application. | · |
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| | Total claim | as in excess of previously paid for, at \$18 (\$9) | Technology Center 2600 |
| · | Independent claims in excess of previously paid for, at \$84 (\$42) | | |
| | Additional Fee for this Amendment | | |
| | This Response is being filed within the first month, second month, third month, fourth month, fifth month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. Applicants Petition for an extension, and the fee of \$110 (\$55), \$400 (\$200), \$920 (\$460), \$1,440 (\$720), \$1,960 (\$980) is due and paid herewith. | | |
| | The fee of \$ set by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) for the Information Disclosure Statement is due and paid herewith. | | |
| | A check in the | amount of \$ is attached. | |
| <u>X</u> | Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-3125. | | |
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